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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 9th/January, through Sunday, 16th/January there were 210 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE0A, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV9, T5, T7, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS (Also PT7). Tibi, HA7TM, will be active as **3B8/HA7TM** from **January 25th to February 3rd**. Activity will be on 40-10 meters including the WARC bands using a radio with 100 watts into a four band GP antenna by DunaX. After his operation here, he will go to **Brazil** between **February 21st and March 2nd**, and be active as **HA7TM/PT7**. His QTH will be Fortalese. QSL cards are "OK" via the HA bureau or direct using the QRZ.com address.

3C, EQUATORIAL GUINEA (Update). Last week we mentioned that a station was signing **3CAK**, and the operator was stating his name was Vladimir in Malabo on Bioco Island (AF-010). OPDX has been informed by Victor, UA2FM, that the operator is Vladimir Arseniev, and his QSL address is correct as announced last week. However, the 3CAK is the callsign of the ferry boat "DJIBLOHO" that Vladimir is on. He is an employee onboard the ferry, and operates the ship's HF terminal and actually should be signing **mm**. We were also informed that

Vladimir has never had a personal callsign before but was a club station operator (UK2FAH in UA2-land) over 20 years ago. Victor states that Vladimir is a professional RO and excellent CW operator but has not been in contact with any UA2 hams for many years. Victor does know him on a professional basis, being that he is a maritime operator and captain's mate himself. Members of the UA2 Contest Club (RK2FWA) have contacted him and explained that his operation is illegal. They advised him to apply for a 3C licence and to look for any house close to the port area, or at least use a ham callsign with /mm id. Individuals are trying to help and provide/get Vladimir more information on the 3C licencing procedures. This information has been obtained and has been sent through a local coastal HF station where he is registered for communication service. The UA2 group has also recommended that Vladimir refrain from using the commercial call on ham bands. They hope he will get a UA2 licence when on holidays in April. After then, he may use /mm id. Stay tuned!

3Y0X PETER I ISLAND DXPEDITION UPDATE (Op Delayed!). On January 13th, the following was a press release sent out by Team Co-leaders Ralph Fedor, K0IR and Bob Allphin, K4UEE:

DXpedition Delayed

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: "There will be at least a two and one-half to three-week delay in the planned 3Y0X DXpedition. Problems have arisen with completing the renovation and re-registration of the ship on schedule.

We currently have one team member in Chile gathering information. On Jan. 17 a second team member will arrive. The two of them will travel to the shipyard and personally inspect the vessel. We will know more after this meeting and will update you at that time.

Our entire team remains intact. We are all eager to be underway.

This is a huge undertaking and very, very expensive. The team members are funding 74% of the total cost and need your help with the remaining expenses. Your contribution will be very much appreciated. Send contributions to either: K4UEE, F2JD, JA1ELY or ZL2AL (check the website for an easy-to-use donation form)." The URL address for the donation form is:

<http://www.peterone.com/contribute.htm> The main Peter I Island DXpedition Web site is: <http://www.peterone.com>

A25, BOTSWANA. Operators Hans/DL7CM and Sid/DM2AYO will be active as **A25/DL7CM** (possibly **A25CM**) and **A25/DM2AYO**, respectively, **April 6-20th**. Activity will be on 160-6 meters CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31. They will have two stations active with amps using a 27m GP, 3 element 5 band beam, HF9V and a 4 element beam for 6m. QSL via their home callsign. Visit their Web page (which will have a log search) at: <http://www.qsl.net/dl7cm/A2.htm>

AAW 2005 ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

- Francois, F8DVD, an individual very fond of Polar countries (has stayed at 8 North Polar bases and the North Pole) has received the special French callsign **TM8ANT** to be used

during the next Antarctic Activity Week (AAW). This callsign is valid from **February 14-27th**. The activity will be on the HF bands, especially on SSB. QSL TM8ANT via F8DVD: Francois Bergez, 6, rue de la Liberte, F-71000 MACON, FRANCE.

- Francesco Giacoia, IZ7AUH, from the Italian Taranto HF Team (ARI Taranto) will be active as **II7ANT** during the next AAW. QSL via IZ7AUH: Francesco Giacoia, P.O. Box 2224/TA-05, 74100 TARANTO (TA), ITALY.
- Both I7YKN and I7OCD will join the AAW using the callsign **IU7ANT**. QSL via I7YKN: Nuccio Meoli, P.O. Box 66, 73010 Porto Cesareo (LE) ITALY.
- The "STRANGE RADIO TEAM" will participate in the next AAW with the special **II8ANT** callsign. Operators will be: IK8LIU/John, IK8MRA/Gianni, IK8YTG/Enzo, IZ8EDJ/Oreste, IZ8EQF/Francesco, IZ8EZP/Mario and IZ8GGF/ Salvatore. QSL via: ORESTE D'ANZILIO, P.O.Box 49, 84091 BATTIPAGLIA (SA), ITALY.
- PLEASE take note that all special ANT stations are valid for both WAP WADA and WAP WACA Awards. Check the 4th edition of the WAP Antarctic Directory on: <http://www.ddxc.net/wap/> Also, the latest WAP Antarctic Bulletin is available on the same WAP Web site.

AY1ZA STORY ON THE WEB. The story of the **AY1ZA** DXpedition is now available online at: http://www.mdxc.org/antarctica/AY1ZA_ARTICLE.doc

CADXA OFFICERS FOR 2005. The following members of the Central Arizona DX Association (CADXA) have been recently elected for the following officers for 2005:

Gary Capek K8BN	- President
Mike Fulcher KC7V	- Vice-President
John Arthers K7WP	- Treasurer
Mike Johnson KW7V	- Secretary
Bruce Makas K1MY	- Past President
Bob Epstein K8IA	- Board Member at Large
Jim McDonald N7US	- Board Member at Large

Visit the CADXA Web page for more information at: <http://www.cadxa.org>

FS, ST. MARTIN. Dennis, KT8X, will be active as **FS/KT8X** from **March 4-11th**. This will be a holiday style operation with an emphasis on the WARC bands. However, he does plan to enter the **ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th)** as a Single-Op entry. QSL route will be the "Logbook of The World" (LoTW).

IOTA NEWS.....

- **EU-098.** (IOTA to be REMOVED) If you missed this past weekend's activity by Ric/DL2VFR and Frank/DL2SWW from **Poel Island**, you will have another chance on **January 21-23rd**. The IOTA EU-098 will be removed from the IOTA List effective the 1st of February 2005 (Poel does not meet the 200m-rule anymore, the island merges more and more with the mainland). Activity will be on CW/SSB on all HF bands. Poel also counts for the German Island Award as O-02 (and that's beyond the 1st of February...). A sidetrip to the Lighthouses FED-236, FED-092 and FED-093 are possible. Ric states, "Hope to meet you on the air to say 'farewell' to an IOTA-island."
- **EU-146.** Operators Bruno/F4CZU and Sylvan/F5TLN will activate the Island of **Duiveland, January 29-30th**. Activity will be on 40-10 meters. They may also activate

Goeree Island from time to time. QSL Manager is F5TLN.

- **NA-093.** A Cuban ham radio group will activate **Cayo Jutia Island, Los Colorados**, in the **Pinar Del Rio Province, January 27-31st**. Five operators will use their own personal callsigns and will be active on SSB and PSK31, on the following frequencies:
 - **SSB** - 1950, 3770, 7090, 14260, 18145, 21260, 24945, 28450
 - **PSK31** - 1838, 3600, 7070, 10110, 14070, 18100, 21070, 24920
 - and 28120 kHzOperators are Lazaro/CO2WL, Jorge/CO3LF, Jorge/CO3JN, Juan/ CO3CJ and Gamboa/CO3VK. QSL CO2WL via EA3ESZ. QSL CO3LF, CO3JN, CO3CJ and CO3VK via IZ8EBI: P.O. Box 364, 87100 Cosenza, ITALY.
- **NA-164 NA-165.** Pedro, HK3JJH, advises that the recent activity by **XF1K** by Hector, XE1K, was from two different locations. Activity **before January 15th** was from **NA-164** and activity **on and after that date** was from **NA-165**.
- **OC-099.** Look for Jerry, P29ZAD, to be active from **Tabar** between **January 18-27th** during his spare time from work. He will call CQ on 14260 kHz around 2100z and 0800z. QSL direct only to: Jerry Walker, PO Box 264, Ukarumpa, EHP 444, Papua New Guinea (Please include SAE + 2 greenstamps). More information on QSLing is available via QRZ.com.
- **SA-024.** Operators Ark/PY2ZX and Luiz/PY2OC will be active from **Comprida Island, January 20-26th**. Activity will be 6 meters, 2 meters and 70 centimeters on modes CW/SSB/FM. Grid Square is: GG64bx. Suggested frequencies are: 50.110 MHz, 144.200 MHz, 144.300 MHz (TEP), 144.930 MHz (FM) and 432.100 MHz. QSL PY2OC via direct or by the bureau and PY2ZX via direct. For more info: <http://paginas.terra.com.br/noticias/jdxxg/> THEY ARE LOOKING FOR SKEDS! Send E-mail to: py2zx@terra.com.br
- **SA-043.** Marco, CE6TBN, had to **cancel** his trip to Ascension Island due to transportation problems (ship's motor).

J2, DJIBOUTI. Yves, F5PRU, is currently here for work the **next four months** and will be active as **J20FH**. His activity will be limited to his spare time on 80-10 meters CW/SSB. He was heard this past week on 30 meters between 1900-2100z. QSL via F5PRU (Bureau QSLs preferred).

J73, DOMINICA. Lars, SM0CCM, will be active as **J73CCM** from **February 16th to March 14th** (for the 6th time). Activity will be on all bands, mostly CW and RTTY, but also some PSK and SSB. QSL to his home callsign SM0CCM. ADDED NOTE: He states that he will probably be active for a few days from the **Caribbean Indian Territory** as **J70SWD** (See more about J70SWD on QRZ.com).

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY. Three members from the VADXCC (VA DX Club) are now active **until January 22nd**. Callsigns are as follows:

- **KG4SB** - Jose - QSL to N4BAA
- **KG4WV** - Bill - QSL to W4WV
- **KG4AS** - Tip - QSL to N4SIA

Activity will be on 160-6 meters operating on ALL modes. Jose will have SSTV for those who desire it! On Sunday, activity was heard on some of the WARC bands (CW and SSB). Jose is also expected to be active on the FM satellites.

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators John/G4RCG and Bruce/KI7VR will be active as **KP2/G4RCG** and **KP2/KI7VR** from **St. Croix (NA-106)** between **January 21st and February 6th**. John is expected to be an entry in the **CQ 160m CW Contest (January 29-30th)** as **KP2ZZ**. QSL for both callsigns is via G4OOC, direct or by the bureau.

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY. Operators LU9DA, LU5EW and LU1DWW will be active as LU2DT from **Punta Mogotes Lighthouse (ARG005)**, **January 22-23rd**. Activity will be on 20/15/10 meters SSB beaming Europe. QSL via: P.O. Box 664, (7600) Mar del Plata, Argentina. ADDED NOTE: It is reported that in Argentina 1 green stamp does not cover the mail charge.

MJ, JERSEY. Bert, PA3GIO, will be active as **MJ/PA3GIO/p** from **Jersey Island (EU-013)**, **January 22-27th**. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB only. He will use only 100 watts and a Doublet. A Web page for this operation has been set up at: <http://www.pa3gio.nl/MJ/> For Bureau QSLs, PLEASE use the easy QSL request form on his Web site. (Also for all of his other operations!) For direct QSLs, please use the QSL info on his Web site at: <http://www.pa3gio.nl/>

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- QSL **3V8ST** via the ASTRA Bureau at: Scouts Tunisiens, B.P. 339, Tunis El-Mahrajen, 1082 TUNIS, TUNISIE. Activity was from the Tunisian Scouts Station, and they operated from the City Hall of Tunis for the Tunisian Childhood Week.
- Pictures and the log from **CW5R** DXpedition to Lobos Island (SA-039) are now available online at: <http://www.dx-men.com>
- Dick, N6FF (XU7ACB, Ex-KL7H), informs OPDX readers that his old **KL7H** callsign has been reissued. If anyone had a QSO with KL7H between January 2, 1987, and March 21, 1988, from his QTH on Endicott Island (NA-004), North Slope County Group, and needs a QSL to please send their requests to N6FF.

SPECIAL EVENT. Look for special event station **TM6OLW** and **TM6OLS** to be active between **January 23rd and February 6th** to commemorate the **60th anniversary of the liberation of Wittenheim and Sausheim**. Modes and bands of activity were not provided. QSL TM6OLW via F5TFI, and TM6OLS via F5OCL.

ST2, SUDAN. QSL Manager Dennis, PA7FM, informs OPDX readers that Paul, **ST2PN**, is back in the Sudan after a few weeks back home for the holidays. As things look now, Paul will work in **Khartoum** meaning he will be active much more often than before when he was in the Darfur area. He has been more active and has been working some PSK31. He is expected to do some RTTY later. Looking over the past few weeks, Paul has been on PSK31 on 20/17/15 meters between 1000-1700z. Also, some SSB activity has been used on 17/12/10 meters between 1330-1700z. Watch both modes. Dennis states that the ST2PN QSLs have just arrived from the printer, and ALL direct requests will be answered in the next week. New request will be answered as soon as they arrive. So far, only direct requests will be answered. Bureau cards will "MAYBE" be answered possibly later (not now). The log, the ST2PN QSL card and several new photos can be viewed online at: <http://www.pa7fm.nl> ADDED NOTE: Just a reminder. Dennis states that one green stamp does NOT cover the costs for mail outside EU (also postal rate in PA went up again this year).

TS1, TUNISIA (Special Event). All Tunisian Hams are allowed to use the special callsign,

TS1WHC, during the upcoming **World Handball Championship** in Tunisia between **January 23rd to February 2nd**. Activity will be on the HF bands, SSB and maybe CW and SSTV. QSL all QSOs via the bureau, or direct to: ASTRA, B.P. 339, Tunis El-Mahrajen, 1082 Tunis, Tunisie.

VP9, BERMUDA. Jon, N0JK, will be active as **VP9/N0JK** from **January 28-31st**. His primary purpose is a low power entry in the **CQ WW 160 CW Contest**. Jon has upgraded his 160m antenna to an Inverted L, which is now showing a "3 S-unit" improvement compared to his prior 160m antenna. Look for him outside of the contest on 60 and 6 meters.

XU, CAMBODIA. Peter, NO2R, continues to be active from **Sihanoukville** as **XU7ACY** until **January**. Activity is mainly on 160 and 80 meters CW, with some 30 meters. Start looking for him after 1945z on 160 meters (before he moves to 80 meters). QSL via K2NJ.

XV2, VIETNAM (IOTA Op). By the time you read this, operator Masa, JA7GAX, is expected to be active as **XV2G** from **Con Son Island** (IOTA **AS-130**) until 1700z January. Activity will be on 40/20/15/10 meters CW, using only a wire antenna and 80 watts. QSL direct only to JA7GAX: Takayoshi Nagashima, 3-8-18 Akasaka Aoba-ku, Sendai, Miyagi 989-3211, Japan.

ZK1, NORTH AND SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Magnus, SM6WET, informs OPDX that he and a team of operators will be active from North and South Cook Islands as follows:

- **Aitutaki Island** (IOTA OC-083, South Cook) - **January 31st to February 17th**: Look for the callsigns **ZK1WET, ZK1XMY, ZK1SDE** and **ZK1SDZ**. Most of the activity will be on SSB but ZK1WET will be active on RTTY, CW and possibly PSK31. Also, look for **ZK1WET** in the **CQ WPX RTTY Contest**.
- **Manihiki Atoll** (IOTA OC-014, North Cook) - **February 17-24th**: Callsigns to be used will be **ZK1SDE** and **ZK1SDZ**.
- **Aitutaki Island** (IOTA OC-083, South Cook) - **February 24th to March 3rd**: Callsigns to be used will be **ZK1SDE** and **ZK1SDZ**.

The DXpedition will concentrate mostly on 17 and 20 meters, although there will be activity on 160-10 meters. They will have full size monoband yagis for 10/17/20 meters and verticals for the other bands. They plan on having a double sided QSL card printed for each station. Do not QSL via the Bureau. QSLing is preferred via M3SDE direct. They now have a Web site at: <http://www.zk1sde.co.uk>

A SPECIAL VU4 AND NIAR NEWS RELEASE. The following was received from Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, Public Relations Officer of the NIAR:

Subject: VU4 Dxpediton cum Tsunami Emergency Communication News

Dear Friends

Seasons Greetings to one all.

This is to inform you that all Ham Members who were on Dxpediton till 26th December and their support team which became Tsunami Emergency communication operation are all safe and returned to Headquarters on 15th January 2004.

The Tsunami operation a major success with the help of excellent cooperation from National / International Ham community like yours. Some of our ham members who operated from remote and inaccessible

areas of Carnicobar & other islands were able to communicate through many relay stations to provide relief much needed. All logs of Dxpedition are safe and we will enter them into computers. We are also happy to inform you that around 1000 Direct QSLs have also arrived safely at NIAR QSL Bureau. We are also entering them into computers.

The financial support already given and promises made will meet some of our Dxpedition cum Tsunami Emergency communication. So, we are grateful to all those who are contributing to our efforts. Kindly wait patiently for our reply QSL Cards.

With Regards

Jose Jacob, VU2JOS
Public Relations Officer
Member - Tsunami Emergency Communication located at Hutbay in Little Andaman Islands.

Note: If any one wants to contribute money for this Dx-pedition cum Tsunami Emergency Communication, you can send them in the form of Cheque infavor of "Director, National Institute of Amateur Radio" payable at Hyderabad, India.

Or (For dontations Through Credit Card)

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In the email, they should say the amount they wish to donate in U.S.Dollars, say that it is for the VU4 Dxpedition cum Tsunami Emergency Communication

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Attn: NIAR VU4 DXpedition cum Tsunami Emergency Communication
P.O.Box 280795
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